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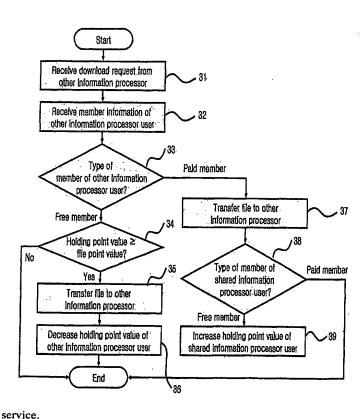
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(54) Title: P2P SERVICE METHOD



(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to a P2P service method, and more particularly, to a method of enabling paid members among users of information processors employing a P2P service to be treated preferentially and a method capable of providing other additional services. P2P service method according to the present invention is characterized by providing receiving a download request to download a predetermined file stored in a shared folder from another information processor, receiving member information including the type of a member and a holding point value held by the other information processor from the other information processor, determining, based on the member information, whether a user of the other information processor is a free member, if the user of the other information processor is the free member, comparing the holding point value to a file point value corresponding to the size of the file, and if the holding point value is larger than the file point value, transferring the file to the other information processor. According to the present invention, since P2P service companies providing a P2P service can provide a variety of services capable of preferentially treating paid members as compared to free members, conversion from free members to paid members can be induced. Thus, revenue of the P2P service companies can be assured. Further, the present invention can overcome several inconveniences caused due to the nature of the P2P during using the P2P

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